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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Extract from Staff Meeting Minutes of 1 April 1981

Hitz noted that at the 7 April FOIA hearings, the Agency will be engaging in overkill on purpose. The Director will present his testimony following Congressman Robert Michel (R., IL); Congressman James C. Wright, Jr. (D., TX) will be followed by Justice Department representatives. Silver and McMahon will accompany the Director to the briefing. In response to Hitz' question about what papers the Director will need, the Director indicated he would not need any paper but would want to be aware of any points he should raise. (Action: LC)

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The Director commented he had heard the Soviets are issuing a White Paper on terrorism. In response to the Director's question about who should prepare a rebuttal, McMahon suggested the DDO and NFAC but McMahon added, he believes CIA should adopt a no comment posture to any allegations in the White Paper because some of our future programs could be classed as terrorism. The Director tentatively agreed, but asked that we assess our vulnerability. (Action: DDO)

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